

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
DISTRICT OF MASSACHUSETTS

IN RE NEW ENGLAND COMPOUNDING)
PHARMACY, INC. PRODUCTS LIABILITY)
LITIGATION)
_____)

MDL No. 2419
Dkt. No 1:13-md-2419 (RWZ)

THIS DOCUMENT RELATES TO:)

All Suits)
)

**PARTIES' NOTICE OF
SUSPENSION OF BRIEFING ON ISSUES RELATED TO MICHAEL O'NEAL**

Saint Thomas Outpatient Neurosurgical Center, LLC; Howell Allen Clinic, a Professional Corporation; John W. Culclasure, MD; Debra V. Schamberg, RN, CNOR; and Vaughan Allen, MD (collectively "the STOPNC Defendants") and the Plaintiffs' Steering Committee ("PSC") hereby give the Court and parties notice that they have agreed to temporarily suspend the briefing and dispute over the discoverability of information and records related to Michael O'Neal's pharmacy consulting for STOPNC. The parties are close to an agreement on the issue that would resolve the outstanding issues and moot the motions related to O'Neal that are pending before Magistrate Judge Boal.¹ Should the parties' expected agreement not finalize in short order, they will promptly finish any remaining briefing on the issue on a prompt schedule.

¹ This includes Doc. 2437, 2469, and 2608.

Respectfully and jointly submitted,

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that this document filed through the CM/ECF system will be served electronically to the registered participants identified on the Notice of Electronic Filing and copies will be e-mailed or mailed via regular U.S. mail to those participants identified as unregistered this 3rd day of March, 2016.

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